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Chickens and Eggs



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February Egg Production Up 3 Percent

United States egg production totaled 8.56 billion during February 2019, up 3 percent from last year. Production included 7.48 billion table eggs, and 1.08 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.00 billion were broiler-type and 80.3 million were egg-type. The average number of layers during February 2019 totaled 398 million, up 2 percent from last year. February egg production per 100 layers was 2,154 eggs, up 2 percent from February 2018.

All layers in the United States on March 1, 2019 totaled 399 million, up 2 percent from last year. The 399 million layers consisted of 336 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 59.4 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 3.47 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on March 1, 2019, averaged 76.6 eggs per 100 layers, up 1 percent from March 1, 2018.

Egg Production by Type — States and United States: February 2018 and 2019

State	Total production			Table eggs			Hatching eggs		
	2018	2019	Percent of previous year	2018	2019	Percent of previous year	2018	2019	Percent of previous year
	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(percent)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(percent)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(percent)
Alabama	161.7	173.2	107	30.3	31.4	104	131.4	141.8	108
Florida	151.8	(NA)	(NA)	148.1	(NA)	(NA)	3.7	(NA)	(NA)
Georgia	366.3	386.9	106	197.1	211.8	107	169.2	175.1	103
South Carolina	87.0	95.5	110	67.3	75.0	111	19.7	20.5	104
United States	8,278.0	8,562.7	103	7,226.9	7,479.8	103	1,051.1	1,082.9	103

(NA) Not available.

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - *Chickens and Eggs*, March 2019

Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced — States and United States: During February 2018 and 2019

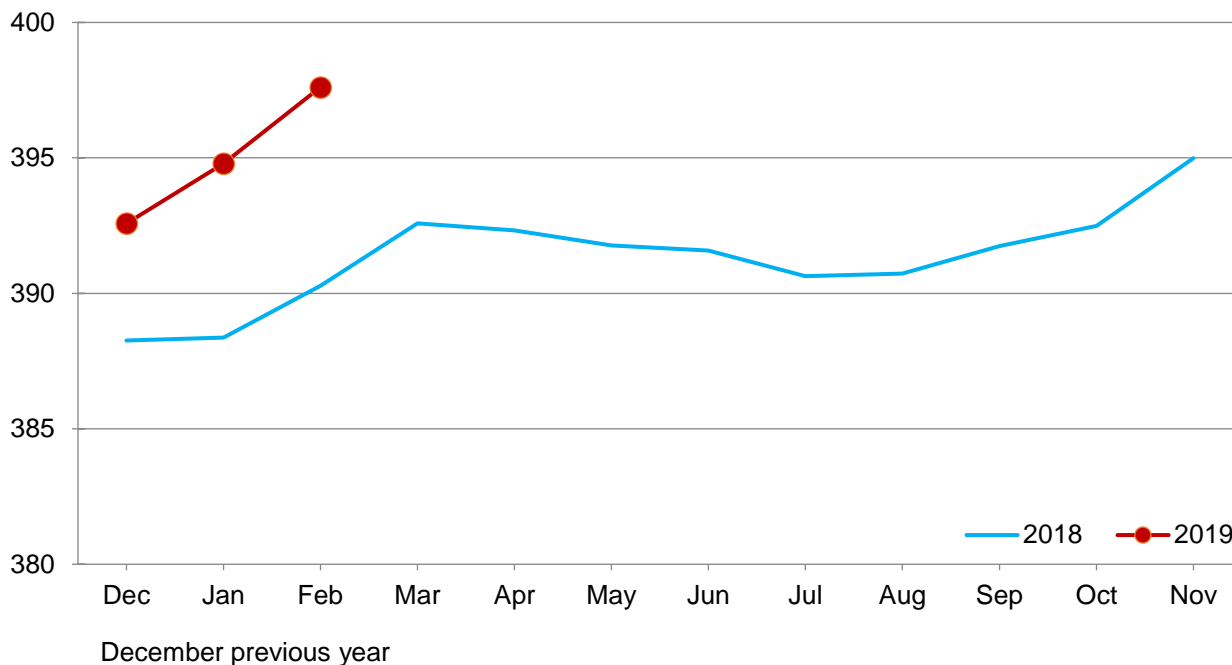
State	Total egg layers in flocks 30,000 and above			All layers			Eggs per 100 for all layers		
	2018	2019	Percent of previous year	2018	2019	Percent of previous year	2018	2019	Percent of previous year
	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(percent)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(percent)	(eggs)	(eggs)	(percent)
Alabama	1,311	1,400	107	9,477	10,130	107	1,706	1,710	100
Florida	6,847	(NA)	(NA)	7,289	(NA)	(NA)	2,083	(NA)	(NA)
Georgia	9,346	9,797	105	19,534	20,157	103	1,875	1,919	102
South Carolina	3,025	3,339	110	4,274	4,611	108	2,036	2,071	102
United States	313,882	319,384	102	390,282	397,605	102	2,121	2,154	102

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Average Layers During the Month — United States

Million layers



All Egg Production During the Month — United States

Million eggs

